



**ICE FIGHTS FROST:** Sprinklers poured water onto strawberries all night at George Wuske farm in Pipestone township to help ward off deadly frost. When water changes from liquid to solid,

heat is given off which warms the plants. Ice will not harm plants as long as water is continually poured on. Low temperatures in area ranged from 18 in Watervliet to low 30's near Eau Claire.

## Little Warning Frost Damage May Be Heavy

A frost that arrived after only brief warning hit southwestern Michigan during the night, reportedly caused considerable damage in grape vineyards and asparagus fields.

Temperatures in the area ranged from an unofficial low of 18 in the Keeler area to an official low of 29 at the Sodas Experiment farm.

Other lows during the night were a 26 at Niles, 27 at Buchanan, 25 in Lawton, and an unconfirmed report of 22 in the Hartford area.

The Grand Rapids Weather Bureau said this morning it issued a frost watch for this area at 3 p.m. yesterday and a freeze warning at 6 p.m.

Alton Wendzel, Watervliet grower, said this morning "It is unbelievable that frost warnings would be issued so late." He said due to the lateness of the

warnings many growers didn't have time to set-up frost protection equipment.

Harvey Belter, Berrien county extension agent, said initial reports this morning indicate that asparagus was hurt very bad, and unprotected tomato plants and strawberries could also have been hurt. Most strawberries in the area were protected by irrigation, however, he felt.

He said damage to grapes has been reported, especially in low lying areas, but the full extent of damage is unknown at this time. Belter said there also could have been damage to tree fruits if temperatures were 25 or below.

Arnold Hafer, foreman of the Sodas Experiment farm said grapes at the farm were frozen this morning, something which has only happen once before to

his knowledge.

Hafer said in driving around the area south of the farm and north of Eau Claire, this morning, he saw only one vineyard that was not frozen. "It looks like it (freeze) hit pretty hard in this area" he said.

### Winning Numbers

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Here are the winning numbers in this week's drawing of the Michigan Lottery — 642 762.

Winning numbers for the Michigan Week bonus drawing which will have four \$5,000 automobiles as prizes are — 831 228.

# BIG WASHINGTON'S SHOW OPENS

## Tribunal Of 7 Senators Digs Into Watergate Affair

WASHINGTON (AP) — A fact-finding tribunal of seven senators today opened historic hearings into the Watergate scandals of President Nixon's re-election campaign.

Convening in the Senate Caucus Room before a live television audience of millions, they pledged to follow the facts wherever they may lead.

"This is not in any way a partisan undertaking, but, rather it is a bipartisan search for the unvarnished truth," said Sen.

Howard Baker, R-Tenn., vice chairman and ranking Republican on the panel whose formal name states its mission: The Senate Select Committee on Presidential Campaign Activities.

The committee, Baker said, cannot pass judgment or send anyone to jail but it can "develop the facts in full view of the American people ... the final judge of Watergate."

Baker portrayed the men and policies that led to the complex web of events now known collectively as Watergate as political amateurs and said he has found no evidence either the Republican or Democratic national committees played any role "in whatever may have gone wrong in 1972."

"We will inquire into every fact and follow every lead untrammelled by any fear of where that lead may ultimately take us," Baker said.

He said the very fact that the American government is now engaged "in the public process of cleaning our house before the eyes of the world" marks the resilience and enduring nature of American institutions.

Even as testimony began in the room where other senators a half-century ago sought the facts of the Teapot Dome scandal, the Watergate story was spreading still.

The Washington Post, which has won a Pulitzer prize for Watergate coverage, today reported the break-in and bugging of Democratic party headquarters in the Watergate was but one incident in a huge White House undercover operation beginning in 1969 and involving still-unreported cases of political burglary, wiretapping, spying and sabotage.

The Post said the mental-health records of Sen. Thomas F.

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## Broker Charged In HHH Campaign Gift

NEW YORK (AP) — John L. Loeb, 70, was charged Wednesday by the federal government with making \$48,000 in illegal, and indirect contributions to Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey's presidential primary campaign last year.

Loeb is a senior partner in the Wall Street brokerage firm of Loeb, Rhoades & Co.

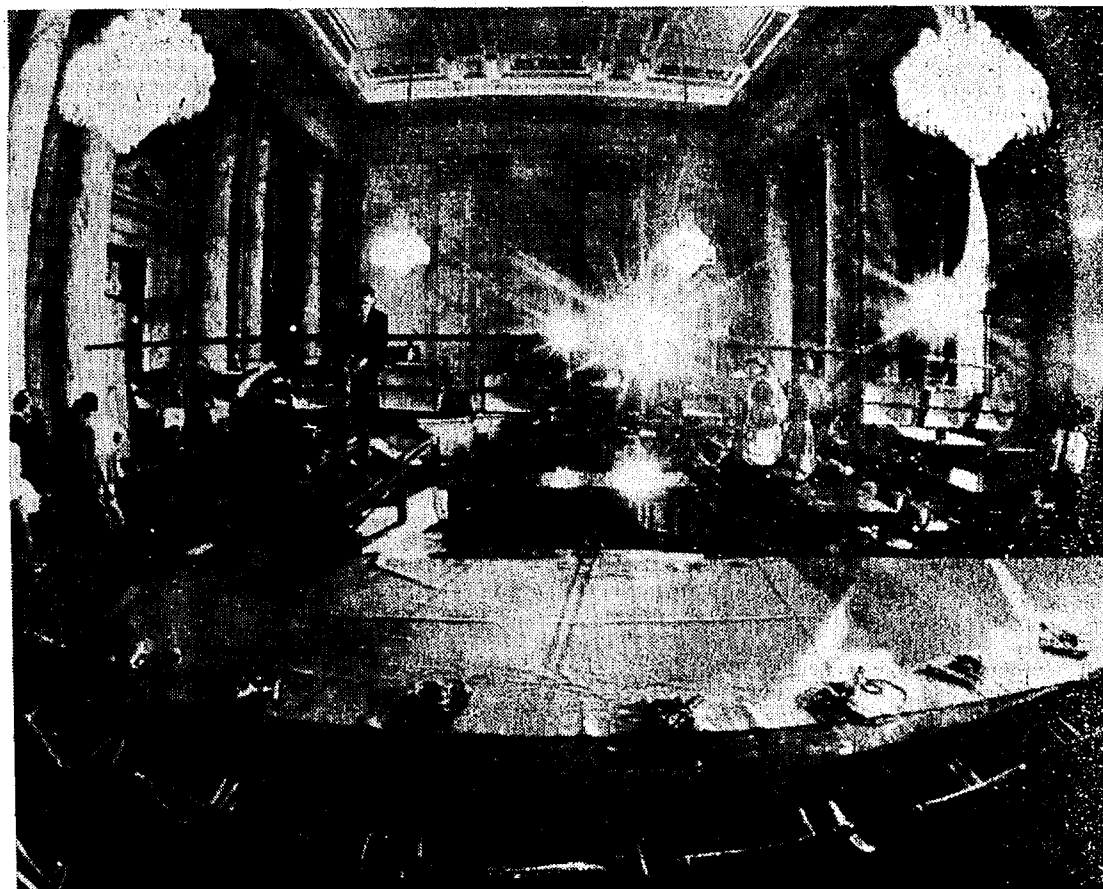
He issued a statement denying any intent to violate the election laws.



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**SETTING THE SCENE:** Workmen install lights and other equipment in the Caucus Room of the Old Senate Office Building Wednesday for the start of hearings today by the Senate Watergate committee.

Senators sitting on the committee will hear testimony from the table in foreground. (AP Wirephoto)

## Seek To Cool Economy

# Money Supply Tightened

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Reserve Board has moved to cool the nation's economy by tightening the supply of money member banks have available for business loans.

The board Wednesday ordered member banks to raise their reserves from 5 to 8 per cent on the amount of increase in their large outstanding certificates of deposit. The action takes effect June 7.

Banks issue certificates of deposit in exchange for money deposited for specified periods of time. Higher interest is paid on the certificates than on regular savings accounts.

Certificates are a major source of funds that banks

acquire and lend to businesses at higher interest rates.

By the increased reserve requirements, the board is forcing member banks to set aside a greater percentage of their new funds.

If a bank had \$20 million outstanding in deposit certificates in the week ended May 16 and increased that amount to \$25 million, that additional \$5 million would be subjected to the 8 per cent reserve requirement.

Under the new directive, the bank would be forced to set aside \$400,000 in reserves, rather than the \$250,000 under the old regulation. This would withhold \$150,000 that, in the absence of the directive, would

have been available for lending to businesses.

The board also removed the ceiling on interest rates that banks may pay on certificates of

deposits in amounts of \$100,000 and over. But the increase will not apply to banks with total

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## Grandparents Must Pay

BY BILL RUSH  
Staff Writer

A Berrien circuit court jury awarded \$23,700 in damages Wednesday to the guardian of a four-year-old boy injured by a rotary power lawnmower in 1971.

Jurors in Judge William S. White's court also awarded \$1,300 to the father of the boy for medical expenses.

Plaintiffs were Robert Underly of Galien, guardian of James Wolkins, Jr., and James Wolkins, Sr., the father. Defendants were Henry and Mildred Wolkins of Galien, the boy's grandparents.

The plaintiffs, represented by Atty. George Keller of St. Joseph, claimed the young boy was visiting his grandparents when the accident occurred. The defendants were accused of being negligent by allowing the boy, then two-and-one-half years old, to be unattended in the vicinity of the lawnmower.

The plaintiffs filed suit in 1971 claiming young Wolkins received fractures, cuts, and scars by falling against the lawnmower.

The grandmother claimed she did not know the lawnmower was being operated when she left the boy alone for a short period of time. The grandfather claimed he did not know the boy was in the vicinity when he began operating the lawnmower.

The father and son both currently reside with the grandparents.

A court official indicated off the record after the trial that insurance was involved and that ultimately an insurance company would pay the damages. Michigan statutes prohibit mention of insurance in negligence trials.

## Jury Believes Narcotics Agent; BH Man Convicted

Oscar Jones, 23, was convicted Wednesday by a Berrien circuit court jury of delivery of heroin.

Jurors in Judge Julian Hughes' court deliberated for only 20 minutes before returning the guilty verdict.

Jones, of 661 Pavone street,

Benton Harbor, was charged with delivering heroin Dec. 4 at 661 Pavone street.

During the trial which began Tuesday, an undercover narcotics agent testified he purchased two tin foil packages of heroin from Jones for \$20.

Jones claimed there were a

number of people in the apartment, that he had nothing to do with the sale, and that the agent was mistaken in his identification.

Prosecution was handled by Berrien Prosecutor Ronald J. Taylor and the defense by Atty. F.A. Jones of Benton Harbor.

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## Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
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### Behind The Test Case Over Ambulance Service

One man's ambulance run is another man's tax bill.

Seven municipal units in the Twin Cities area are paying \$31,000-per-year subsidy to a private firm to assure adequate ambulance service. Included are the cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, plus the townships of Benton, St. Joseph, Lincoln, Royalton and Sodus.

A spokesman for the seven units, City Manager Leland Hill of St. Joseph, says the subsidy is infinitely cheaper than if the seven communities were to try to operate their own service. Elsewhere in Michigan, incidentally, high costs have been the rule where local government tried its hand at getting into the ambulance business. Plus often controversial service.

Hill and other officials of the seven local units think ambulance service here can best be run on a franchise basis—that there's room for only one firm in the field. Business is limited to the point that competition would find all firms involved losing money, ultimately going out of business.

In this belief, the St. Joseph city commission last January adopted an ambulance ordinance giving the city commission the right to license ambulance firms. Subsequently, the city commission licensed only one firm, Action Ambulance, the firm that's being subsidized.

A new competitor, Rampart Ambulance, Inc., has filed suit to overturn the St. Joseph ordinance on the grounds it's unconstitutional.

Whether the ordinance is valid is now being considered by Judge Julian Hughes of Berrien County Circuit Court. Judge Hughes last week issued Rampart a permit to operate in St. Joseph until the case is decided.

Whatever the legal outcome, there is good reason to believe monopoly operation may be the only way to keep

a local ambulance firm solvent.

For whatever reason, Action Ambulance was in debt in 1970 after three years in which competition had come and gone, and that's when local officials and business leaders began considering both Action and action.

Area Resources Improvement Council furnished a lawyer and certified public accountant to look into the situation and set up a new bookkeeping system for Action. Mercy and Memorial hospitals lent the firm \$25,000, which is still being paid off. The municipal subsidy started.

City Manager Hill says that if Action loses business to competition, it simply means the municipal subsidy will have to be increased to assure service. He notes that bus lines and taxi-cabs are franchised on a monopoly basis—a precedent, he feels, for ambulances.

No one has any complaint against Rampart Ambulance or its methods of doing business. And competition is ordinarily a good thing. But if it doesn't work out in this instance, it may take a long while, indeed, to re-establish adequate ambulance service—a function immensely important to every resident of the community.

Since its refunding by the hospitals, Action appears to have been giving adequate service. Nevertheless, it could be that there are better managements available—perhaps even Rampart. That's a decision for officials of the seven units paying the subsidy.

But in any event, history does appear to demonstrate that a franchise operation is the best practical means of assuring adequate ambulance service without getting into the relatively much higher cost of public operation.

Now the question is whether such a franchise operation is also constitutional.

### Women's Lib Call For A Rematch

Bobby Riggs, a tennis ace in his day, won the Wimbledon championship in 1939.

He was 21 at the time.

Three years later Margaret Court, Australia's gift to the tennis world was born.

Last Sunday at Ramona, California, the 55-year-old Bobby, dealt the 30-year-old Maggie a decisive 6-2, 6-1 defeat.

The promotion of age vs. youth, man against woman, drew a huge audience, and presumably everyone but the paying customers profited handsomely by the engagement.

Following the match Bobby very chivalrously said he thought Maggie was off her game and played far beneath her real capability.

He offered the additional thought she was not fully prepared mentally for the contest.

Maggie said nothing but on Tuesday at the London airport, en route to the French professional championship play, she had a mouthful on the Ramona meet.

Saying she would welcome a rematch because she knows she could beat Riggs, Maggie enlarged, "Bobby is not a great tennis player. I lost because I could not adjust to the carnival atmosphere in which the match

was played and I wasn't really mentally fit."

Though she pairs with Bobby on one score, the difference may still be wide.

The commentator on the TV broadcast of the match noted repeatedly that Bobby had an easy time of it by playing consistently to Maggie's backhand, the Achilles' heel in her style.

About the time Maggie was bad mouthing Bobby, he was catching it from another corner. Billie Jean King, America's star and the reigning Wimbledon champ, announced she is ready to send Riggs back to retirement.

Billie Jean could be right. At least she has displayed the upper hand on Maggie recently and in a rematch Maggie might be able to compensate for her backhand weakness.

What a rematch or the rhetoric proves is the absurdity of running a good argument into the ground or, as in this case, out of bounds.

Except for those who can quote scripture out of context, nobody disputes the mental equality between the sexes.

There is, however, a marked difference in physical capability.

Unless goaded beyond endurance by a chauvinist male pig, we doubt if Maggie or Billie Jean would seriously consider taking on Stan Smith, the U.S. champ, or Ken Rosewall, the Australian boomer.

A mixed doubles of Australia vs. America, yes.

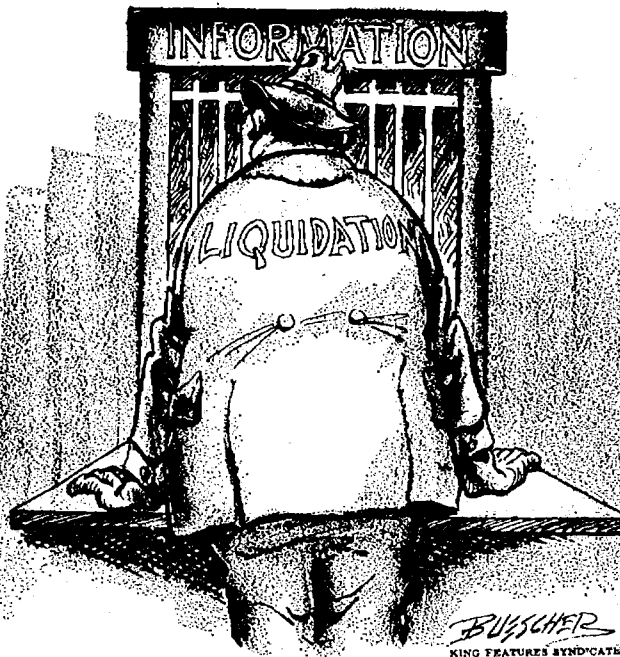
Singles, no.

Admittedly, there are some pre-adolescent girls who can puncture holes in the Little League baseball lineups, and other exceptions can be cited.

As an overriding general rule, however, handicapping is in order for matching the sexes in sports.

The girls would do better to, forego the quick buck temptations of the Ramona stripe and concentrate on more meaningful advances such as bridging the gap in employment practices, attaining the full right to manage their financial affairs, and other humdrum affairs necessary to getting along in the world.

### Penn Central



### GLANCING BACKWARDS

#### LOTTERIES LEGALIZED

— 1 Year Ago —

Michigan voters wiped out a 137-year-old constitutional ban on lotteries, paving the way for the state to become the seventh in the nation to adopt this form of gambling.

At the same time, voters rejected a proposed constitutional amendment that would

have allowed legislators to accept another office in mid-term. The lottery amendment was approved by a nearly 3-to-1 margin, while the legislators' proposal was turned down by about 55 per cent of the voters.

#### ST. JOE CATHOLIC HONOR GRADUATES

— 10 Years Ago —

Michael W. Smith has been

named valedictorian and Janet Marian Loeffler salutatorian of the class of 1963 at St. Joseph Catholic high school, Sister Anne Celeste, principle, has announced.

Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Smith of 3427 Niles avenue. Miss Loeffler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Loeffler of Stevensville.

#### ALLIES KNOCK AT HITLER LINE

— 29 Years Ago —

Allied troops knocked today at the approaches of the Adolf Hitler line, last major fortification before Rome, after destroying the 13-mile southern end of the Gustav line and capturing strategic Pignatone, increasing the flanking threat to Cassino.

American fought into Castellonate, four miles from the important Tyrrhenian seaport of Formia. They took Scavri on the coast. The Germans were routed from all positions south of the Liri river. The French in the center advanced two and a half miles in pursuit of the beaten and disorganized 71st division.

#### CLASS NIGHT

— 39 Years Ago —

A huge crowd attended class night exercises at the Bridgman high school where the salutatory address was given by Eugene Samuelson of the graduating class, and the valedictory by Barbara Dolezel.

#### CHOIR PARTY

— 49 Years Ago —

After the regular rehearsal of the First Evangelical choir, the Harry A. Johnson were hosts to 25 members of the organization at a party in their home on Forbes avenue. Miss Mary Lee Bare assisted the hostess in serving refreshments.

#### FREE SERVICE

— 59 Years Ago —

The village of Three Oaks will have free mail delivery service commencing June 22, postal authorities announce.

#### WORK PROGRESSES

— 83 Years Ago —

Work is progressing favorably on the George E. Smith building at the corner of Main and Pleasant streets.

### Gets Taste Of Own Medicine

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — A 17-year-old boy who had pleaded guilty to turning in a false fire alarm has been sentenced to respond to every fire call in his neighborhood for two weeks.

Town Justice Robert Kiener ordered on Wednesday that a fire dispatch radio be placed in the youth's suburban West Seneca home beginning June 25. He said the youth, whose name was not revealed, must report to the fire station and remain there until the equipment and men return.

#### BIG PROFITS SEEN

DETROIT (AP) — Guardian Industries Corp. President William Davidson said Wednesday he expects the company to exceed its record \$2.3 million first quarter profits in the second quarter.

The firm had sales of \$18.8 million in the first quarter.

### EDITOR'S MAILBAG

#### JUGGLING TIME IS SENSELESS

Editor,

All this time changing and juggling is senseless. There are exactly 24 hours in any one day and no matter how many times to manipulate it he cannot possibly squeeze out another hour (or take one away) no matter how much he wants to. The sun rises and sets in perfect timing as God intended it should, and man cannot change that either. If some people want more sunlight at the end of their working day, instead of upsetting the time clocks all about the nation, state and between their counties, they should get up earlier and get a head start on what they want to do so they can have more sunlight at the end of the day.

This changing of the clocks to make the daylight seem longer than it actually is, can be perfectly illustrated by the story of a tall Indian. As this Indian grew up, he found his toes sticking out from beneath his blanket. He sought to remedy the situation by removing a foot strip from the end which had touched his chin and put the strip on the end which had not quite covered his feet — thinking that would make the blanket longer!

Kenneth Platt  
Benton Harbor

#### THANKS FOR COURTEOUS AID

Editor,

Real appreciation for emergency service is hard to express, especially if names are not known; but this letter is written for that purpose.

On April 27th my husband had an accident with his power lawn-mower. The fingers of his right hand were badly lacerated, one broken. An emergency call was made to the telephone operator. In a few minutes two police cars (one state and one Chikaming twp.) arrived here; and, while the officers were giving my husband first-aid, the Chikaming ambulance arrived. Then within a few minutes we were taken to St. Anthony's Hospital in Michigan City.

The officers and ambulance drivers were so helpful and courteous we would like to take this way of expressing our sincere thanks.

Lora & Wilbur G. Guild  
Harbert, Mich.

#### NURSES SEEK AUTHORITY

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A new international code of ethics for nurses says they should have as much authority as doctors in decisions about patients' welfare.

### Bruce Bissot

### Nobody Buying 'Misquote' Bit



WASHINGTON (NEA) — Seasoned Democrats and political observers here aren't buying Sen. George McGovern's claims he was misquoted in a New York Times magazine piece that has him putting a hard rap on Sen. Thomas Eagleton, saying further that McGovern's wife grew to hate the press, and that after he lost to President Nixon they thought of moving to England.

McGovern, in a response printed in the Times the same day the article appeared, charged that its author, Joe McGinniss, actually fabricated quotations. McGinniss stands firm.

The author has McGovern saying he never liked Eagleton, his chosen running mate, and felt he got the "runaround" from him, since the Missouri senator never did show him his controversial medical reports.

A bit later in the piece, however, he suggested that history will make his campaign look better. In obvious effort to assist that judgment by comparing his 1972 activities with the outrages of the Nixon administration's Watergate enterprise, McGovern says:

"... We didn't steal. We didn't wiretap, or burglarize. We didn't tell any lies. We didn't try to deceive anybody."

It is not my attempt here to equate anything with Watergate. But some highly responsible reporters who covered McGovern and his key aides in South Dakota's Black Hills during the week of the Eagleton crisis were convinced they were being lied to constantly.

One newsman, in his publica-

tion, quoted an anonymous McGovern aide as directly contradicting another aide in an important assertion about the Eagleton affair.

He later told me he grew that week to distrust every major McGovern source he could talk to.

One morning, amid these events, two leading U.S. newspapers using hard-digging reporters carried diametrically opposing stories on McGovern's attitudes and intentions toward Eagleton and his future on the ticket. Both had George McGovern as their source.

The evening before, he had circulated among newsmen covering his campaign and led them clearly to believe he was leaving it up to Eagleton, then on the Pacific coast, to decide whether or not to remain. He left the impression he still had confidence in the man. That yielded one story.

But only hours earlier he told another reporter he had firmly decided Eagleton had to be jettisoned, which produced the quite contrary story. All of this happened just a couple of days after the matter of Eagleton's history of treatment for mental-emotional breakdown was disclosed.

Furthermore, in the manner of his disclosure (a press conference at which a key part of the tale had to be dragged from Eagleton), McGovern double-crossed newsmen for the Knight papers. They had gathered the story on their own, confronted McGovern aides with it, and had been promised an exclusive break in return for holding off while McGovern had a chance to weigh the thorny problem.

### Jeffrey Harrison

### Wounded Knee Aftermath



Well, no doubt everyone is glad that the Wounded Knee fiasco is over with only two corpses, one paralyzed man, numerous injuries, and much property loss, but many have found completely inexplicable the Nixon Administration's policy of being soft on violent Indian militants. Nor are they reassured by the recent elevation to the post of President's counsel of Leonard Garment, who has replaced, at least temporarily, the hapless John Dean.

Last fall, it will be recalled, Garment inspired the policy of buying off with \$66,000 the militants and thugs who occupied — and wrecked — the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Washington; and the Garment approach also informs the handling of Wounded Knee, in which the militant bully-boys kicked out the legitimate Indian home-owners and occupied the town for almost four months.

Whoever finds this kind of thing edifying, it certainly does not seem to be the actual residents of the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota, the site of Wounded Knee.

The April 13 issue of the Har-

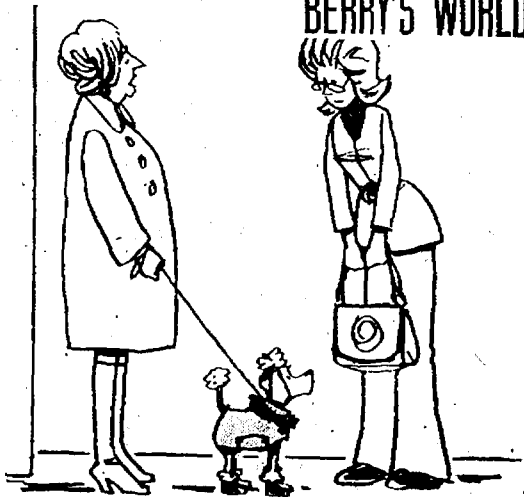
vard Law Record contains an illuminating interview with a first-year Indian law student at Harvard, David Harrison, who, along with two other Harvard students, undertook a trip to the Pine Ridge Reservation to provide legal advice to the tribal unit there. In Harrison's view, the takeover by the militants caused "tremendous disruption" on the reservation, threatened tribal sovereignty, and "undermined" the tribal structure of the Oglala Sioux.

The leaders of the takeover, he said, "parade around in their beads and feathers, saying 'We're the real Indians in the country.' But in calling for civil rights investigations and audits they are saying 'We want white man's law on the reservation.' I don't think they have thought this through. . . . They have precious little support on the Indian community. Most of their support has come from outside the reservation, from such white liberal groups as the National Council of Churches." In Harrison's view, the militants "launched a faddish thing. They used the right words: 'oppression,' 'racism,' and 'poverty.'"

Harrison explained that the takeover was precipitated by a dissident faction within the Oglala Sioux tribe which, failing (by a 14-0 vote) to impeach tribal chief Richard Wilson, chose to dramatize its case by occupying Wounded Knee. At this point the leaders of the militant American Indian Movement joined the dispute. "Russell Means," noted Harrison, "is the only leader who is an Oglala Sioux and he never lived on the Pine Ridge Reservation. It wouldn't be so bad if any of them had ever done anything constructive for their own tribes."

To be sure, the occupying militants provided plenty of thrills for the liberals at the National Council of Churches, gave Marlon Brando an opportunity to let his considerable ego hang out all over the place, and afforded the subject of miles of video tape. This, indeed, may suggest the actual constituency served by the militants.

### BERRY'S WORLD



"I guess this inflation business affects everybody. Honestly! My husband hit the ceiling when the bill came for Fifi's wardrobe!"

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Jim Berry

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## Model Cities Unit Blasted For 'Gross Ineffectiveness'



BENJAMIN DAVIS  
Model Cities Director



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'No Problem'



JOE L. DAVIS  
Concerned CSC Member

### Chairman Replies That Everything Can Be Explained

BY JIM SHANAHAN  
BH City Editor

The Benton Harbor-Benton township Model Cities program has accused one of its operating agencies of "gross ineffectiveness" and failure to follow proper procedure in keeping

expense and payroll deduction records.

The charges are leveled in a report on the Citizens Participation Project operated through the Citizens Steering Council (CSC).

Benjamin Davis, Model Cities director, said the report was compiled by his staff at request of the Model Cities Council — the local governmental overseer of Model Cities composed of elected municipal officials from Benton Harbor and Benton township.

The Citizens Steering Council is a semi-autonomous arm of Model Cities of 19 members — 13 elected by Model Cities residents and six appointed by the elected council members.

A copy of the report was made available to this newspaper by Joe L. Davis, a newly elected CSC member, who said he was concerned but hadn't formed a judgment yet. Davis also is a candidate for the Benton Harbor board of education. He is no relation to the Model Cities director.

The report states the CSC has been ineffective toward reaching its goal of citizen participation and has not provided "substantive services to the community it is supposed to serve."

The lone exception to the lack of services is a mini-bus operated by CSC staff to transport Model Cities area residents to various agencies and clinics, according to the report.

Other allegations are: —Expenditures of \$36,900 on training programs for CSC members and staff without attaining the objective of the training proposal.

—Payment of 12.5 cents a mile in travel expenses to CSC staffers when the agreed upon rate was 10 cents, and submission of food expenses without proper documentation.

—Submission by the CSC coordinator of vouchers for travel expenses of \$3,600 for conferences and seminars in two years — more than expended for travel by Director Davis who has broader responsibilities.

—Past failure to deduct correct amount of social security taxes from employees' pay.

—Failure to secure workmen's compensation insurance until after an employee claimed a job related injury.

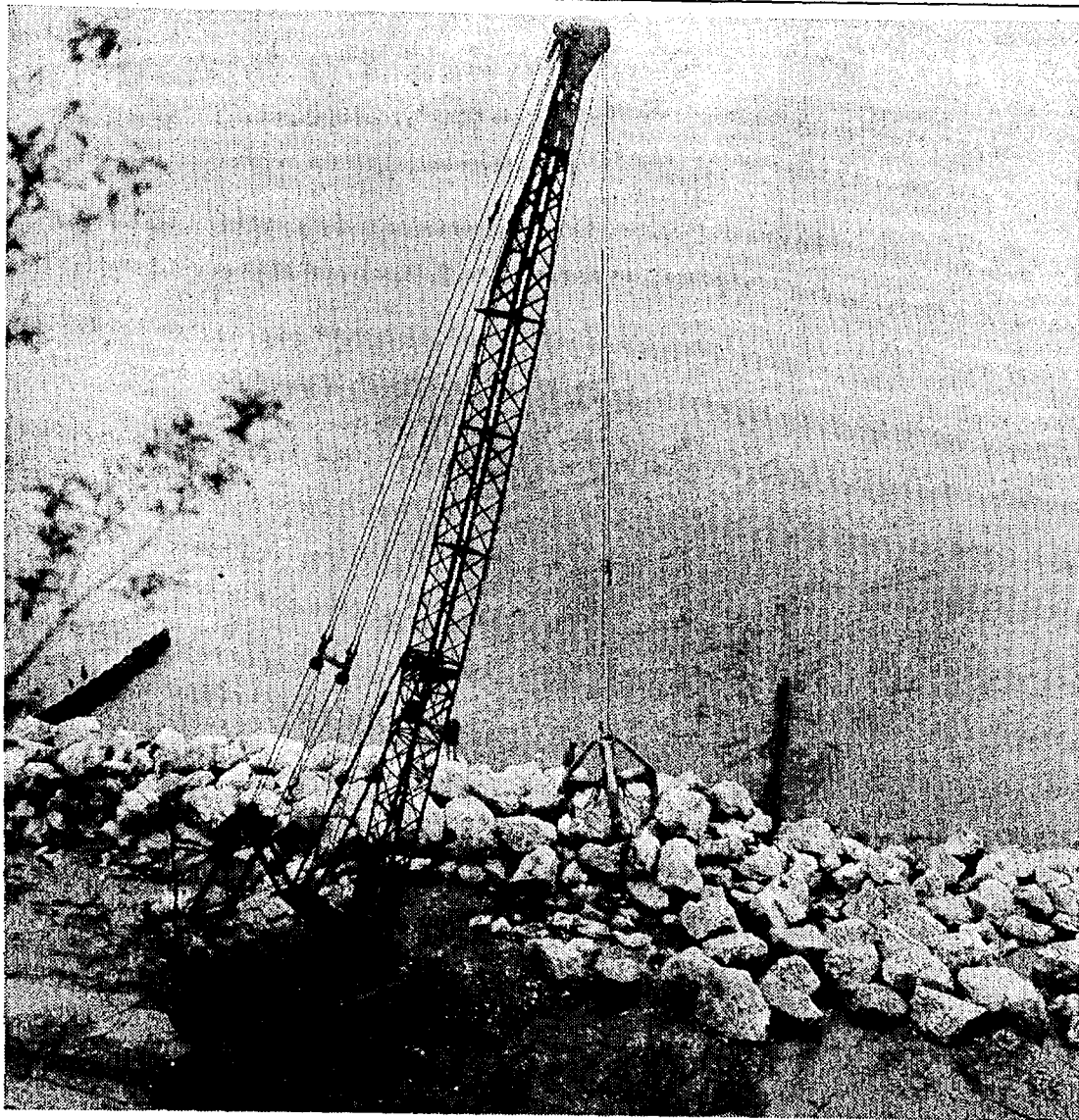
The report recognizes that "CSC members, on the whole, are hard working dedicated citizens attempting to serve their community as best they can" and they have been "a catalyst for change upon many of the area's former irresponsible institutions."

Arnold Smith, CSC chairman, sees the report "as no problem, once we have a meeting with Mr. Davis and Mr. (Melvin) Farmer (Model Cities administrators)." "I think it will be resolved," said Smith.

He added the report contains "some poor language which is not true."

CSC members are paid \$10 for each meeting they attend with a limit of \$50 a month. The full time CSC staff of seven is headed by Silas Legg.

The report recommends that all positions except three be abolished. However, the Model Cities administration would attempt to place the remaining employees in jobs "commensurate with their skills and abilities."



**SEAWALL ON SCHEDULE:** Officials from L.W. Lamb Inc. in Holland, who are raising seawall along bluffs beside Lake Shore drive (Red Arrow highway) in St. Joseph said seawall construction is "on schedule" and is due to be completed in late July. More limestone rock still has to be put in,

plus some 65,000 tons of sand, officials said. Crane is shown putting one of large rocks into Seawall is being raised three feet because high water washes over lower wall and erodes bank, threatening highway. (Walter M. Booth photo)

## BH Summer School Will Begin June 18

Benton Harbor high school will again offer six-week summer school sessions this year, with classes beginning June 18 and continuing through July 27, according to Don Farman, director of the summer session.

Classes will meet from 8 a.m.-noon Monday through

## Ex-BH Man Is Patient In Florida Hospital

George Reakes, formerly of Benton Harbor, is a patient at Lakeland General hospital, Lakeland, Fla.

Reakes is a former secretary of Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 1517, Benton Harbor. He resides at 523 Skyline drive, West, Lakeland.

Friday, with tuition set at \$25 for one subject or \$45 for two.

Students may take one or two subjects and will receive one semester of credit for each subject successfully completed. Farman said the summer sessions offer students a chance to take advanced work which they did not have time for during the regular year, or to make up failures or other discrepancies.

Classes will be offered in English, mathematics, American history, world history, government, economics, sociology, typing, art, physical education, rapid reading, and speech.

Farman stressed that enrollment in the summer program is not limited to residents in the Benton Harbor schools district, and said registrations are now being accepted at the high school office.

The summer sessions are fully accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary schools.



JAMES N. HEATHCOTE

## Heathcote Heads SJ Planners

James N. Heathcote, 520 Donna drive, St. Joseph, was elected chairman of the St. Joseph Planning Commission at its annual meeting Tuesday at Tosi's.

Heathcote succeeds Neil Berndt. He is principal of St. Joseph High school. He was named to the planning commission Oct. 24, 1966.

John Fetters was elected vice chairman succeeding Donald McGrath and Gerald Hepler was re-elected executive secretary.

## New Buffalo Grads Win Scholarships

NEW BUFFALO — Eleven New Buffalo high school seniors have been awarded certificates of recognition for honorary or monetary scholarships through the Michigan competitive scholarship program for the 1973-74 academic year. They are Cleo Wahl, Carol Lintean, Edmund Tezca, Barry Schroder, Gary Ramberg, Joseph Kelly, Cynthia Schuler, Peter Wilens, Marcia McKeague, Mary Ann Kondziarski and Kevin Raff.



**WILD BUT FRIENDLY:** Four-year old Corey and one-year old Jason Erickson had some unexpected playmates in their back yard at 1005 Lions Park drive, St. Joseph last week. The quartet of young rabbits were found by the children's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Erickson. Mrs. Erickson said the mother of the rabbits spends the evenings in the yard near her offsprings, but is gone during the day. (Staff photos by Jake Shubinski)

## Zerbels Take New Posts In Firm's Reorganization

S.M. (Duke) Zerbels, founder and former president of Zerbels GMC Truck, Inc., Benton township, has been elected chairman of the board, while his son, K.M. (Butch) Zerbels, was named firm president and treasurer.

The reorganization occurred during a meeting of stockholders and directors of Zerbels GMC Truck, Inc., in Cleveland, Ohio, on May 9.

Elected assistant secretary was Mrs. Lowell Schneider of

1420 Miami road, Fairplain.

S.M. Zerbels started the truck dealership for this area in 1930, at 1150 Pipestone. K.M. Zerbels joined the organization in 1962, and has served as executive vice president and general manager, before being named president.

The elder Zerbels and his son built their new plant at 1862 East Napier in 1964, and are planning an expansion program. It was reported that the firm now has a sales volume in excess of \$3 million.

The Zerbels firm handles GMC and Diamond Rees trucks, and also has a Cummins and Detroit diesel engine franchise.

K.M. Zerbels resides at 3232 East Valley View drive, St. Joseph, while S.M. Zerbels resides at 169 Bradford drive, Fairplain.



K.M. ZERBEL  
Corporate President

## BH Lions Schedule Free Eye, Ear Tests

Free vision and hearing tests have been scheduled for Benton Harbor preschool children 3½ to 4½ years old on May 29-31 and June 1, 4-6 at the Methodist Peace temple on Pipestone street, Benton Harbor.

The tests are sponsored by the Benton Harbor Lions and Llanas and are required by the state

before a child may enter school. The tests will be administered by the Berrien county health department.

Examinations will be held between 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Parents who have not been previously contacted may schedule appointments by calling Mrs. Robert S. Brown at 923-6592.

## Spring Fling Sunday

The first LMC Spring Fling, started by Lake Michigan College student leaders to bring faculty, staff, and students together to celebrate the end of the school year, will take place at 2 p.m., Sunday, at Riverview park on Niles road, St. Joseph.

Events for the afternoon and evening celebration will include a catered outdoor picnic, horseshoe pitching, touch football, softball, and other games, and dancing and listening to the LMC Jazz Lab Band until 8 p.m.

Mike Koza, who is editor of the student newspaper, The Lake Michigan Journal, indicated that the LMC Student Senate, sponsor of the affair, wants the Spring Fling to become an annual event and an LMC tradition.



S.M. ZERBEL  
Board Chairman

and Model Cities administration, noting that "ultimate responsibility for the program rests with the city and township."

Model Cities also is accountable to its federal parent, the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

**OPPOSES TRADE LAW**  
WASHINGTON (AP) — The AFL-CIO today urged Congress to reject the administration's proposed trade legislation and approve another measure limiting imports and imposing a stiff foreign earnings tax.





**LAWTON MANOR:** This is exterior view of Lawton Manor where spokesman says a new concept in retirement living is underway. Manor has 60 rentals and was constructed at a cost estimated at

\$800,000. Minimum age for residency is 55 years. Spokesman said Lawton location was chosen because of peaceful surrounding of community and safety. (Staff photos)

## Oasis For Old Folks

# Lawton Manor Alive, Well

BY STEVE McQUOWN  
Paw Paw Bureau

**LAWTON** — A new concept in retirement living has been launched here and is gaining in community acceptance, accord-

ing to the resident manager of Lawton Manor.

Mrs. Margaret McGowan acknowledged that the beginning year has been a shaky one for the 60-apartment building

located on White Oak street, a quiet side street in this Van Buren county community.

But she said she has no doubts that the project, previously valued at some

\$800,000 by its owner, Robert Jenkins, Detroit, will be successful.

There are presently 22 leases for apartments in the 60-unit project. The apartments rent

for \$295 per month.

But Mrs. McGowan, with previous practical experience in nursing and hospital work, maintained that once retired persons see Lawton Manor, and know of its potential for retired persons, the project will succeed.

In a recent interview, and tour of the building, she described Lawton Manor as a new concept in retirement living, filling a gap, providing an alternative for retired persons who don't want to live alone and who feel they might be an imposition living with relatives. Minimum age requirement is 55, she said, with no limit on age of residents as long as they can get about on their own.

"They can live with dignity here," she said, and can make their own choice on privacy of the rooms or mingling with other Manor residents.

Economically, she said, it beats owning a home on which taxes are high and on which maintenance and yard work always provide a drain on a retired persons income.

There are health benefits, too, Mrs. McGowan said.

She said a kitchen staff makes sure of balanced diets, something that retired persons tend to overlook.

In addition, there is an alarm system in each room that summons help in case of sudden sickness.

House cleaning, laundry, and most other needs are also provided by the Manor, she said.

The rooms are fairly large, have their own private bathrooms and are short distances away from lounges, the library, a billiards room and the dining room.

The dining room is flanked on one side by an outside fountain, and on the other, by a putting green.

The kitchen is spacious and appears practical and clean.

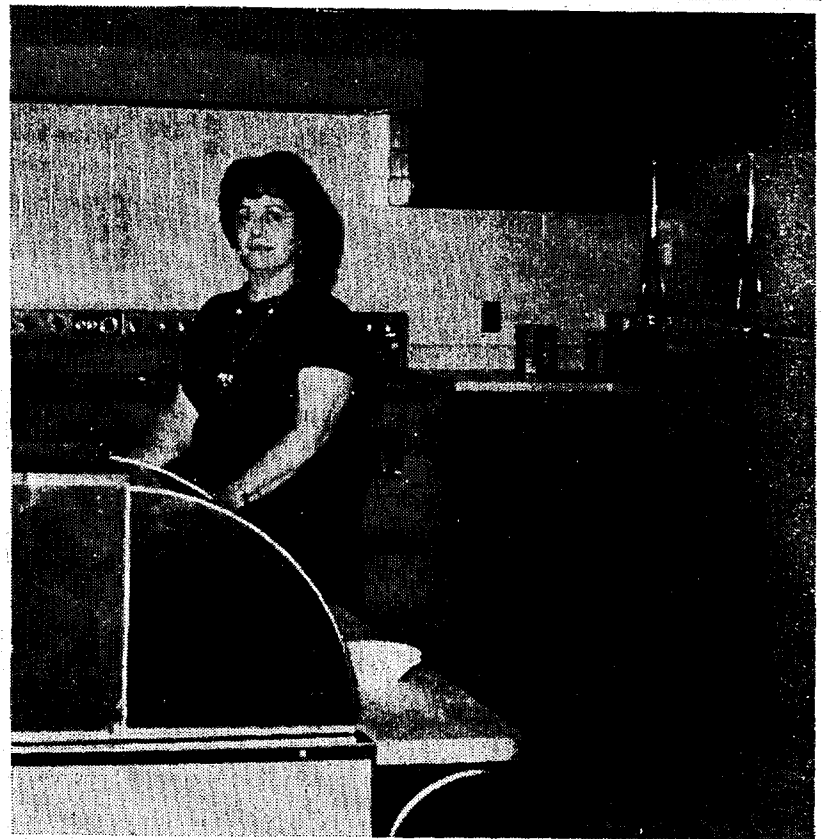
Lawton was chosen as the site for the project, Mrs. McGowan said, because of the quiet rural beauty of the county and community, and because of the safety factor, something that metropolitan areas cannot guarantee.

Mrs. McGowan said the Manor is hiring several persons to promote the Manor, to try and emphasize that it is secure, solvent and an excellent alternative to a nursing home or loneliness.

And Mrs. McGowan said she herself finds comfort and peace at the Manor.

The Manor's first-year troubles involved question over financing of the site purchase and construction. The Lawton council filed a lawsuit to receive its \$15,000 payment for the property in what Jenkins contended was a misunderstanding. A payment agreement has since been worked out.

A project contractor and a loan company involved in construction financing also filed legal action to clear up claims. Some question also developed during the year over ownership.



**MODERN KITCHEN:** A spacious and modern kitchen is center for dietary planning that insures that residents of Lawton Manor get nutritious and balanced diet, according to Mrs. Margaret McGowan, resident manager of Lawton Manor.

## Year-Long Program

# Host Families Needed For Exchange Students

Hosts for foreign exchange students slated to come to this country in August under the Youth for Understanding program are being sought by program officials.

Mrs. Jean Wynbright, route 1, Box 716, Coloma, program community chairman for Berrien county, said persons interested may contact her or Mrs. William McMillan, area representative, route 7, Box 386, Coldwater.

A host family, said Mrs. Wynbright, provides the student with a place to live and food for the year of exchange. The family, she said, is required to provide the student with a separate bed for sleeping.

According to Mrs. Wynbright, students coming to this country speak English. The students,

she said, go to school and take part in family and community activities while here.

Mrs. Wynbright said the program is conducted in cooperation with the federal state department and provides, in return, opportunities for American students to go to a foreign country.

Mrs. Wynbright said families selected as host families may select the student of their choice.

She said 1,500 students are scheduled to arrive in this country in August and remain until July, 1974, under this year's program.

"We'd like as many of them as possible to be in Berrien county," she said.

Two students have already been selected to come to homes

in the county. They are Thomas Schluter, of Germany, and Jane Korri from Finland.



JANE KORRI  
Finnish visitor

**DINING ROOM VIEW:** This view of patio is visible from dining room in Lawton Manor in

Lawton. It is also visible from resident rooms.

# Gas Tax Hike To Remain For At Least Two Months

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Michigan's recent two-cent-a-gallon gasoline tax hike will continue to be collected at least for about two more months, while further checks are made on petitions seeking to block the tax.

The Board of State Canvassers voted Wednesday to make a random sample check of petitions signatures against voter registration lists.

Howard McCowan, a state elections aide, said it would take a week or so to set up the random sampling system, and up to 45 days to make the check at the city and township levels.

Elections officials said that a count of the petitions reveals they contained 176,483 signatures. The number was reduced to 166,681 when some signatures were disqualified for not being complete or for being on defective petitions.

If the state board certifies at least 132,809 signatures of voters and if the petitions survive expected legal challenges they will suspend the gas tax increase until a statewide vote in November 1974.

Richard Durant of Grosse Pointe, attorney for the petition backers, tried unsuccessfully Wednesday to get the board to certify the petitions on the basis of the checks made so far.

Durant, a conservative Republican who has differed with Gov. Milliken on issues, said he felt the law does not require the board to make a sampling of voter registration lists.

However, Sol Bienenfeld, assistant attorney general, said the attorney general's opinion is that the board is required to take such a sampling.

Elections aides said there is no set pattern in past petition campaigns on the percentages of signatures which prove to be those of registered voters.

Percentages of signatures which proved to be registered voters have ranged from 50 to 95, they said.

Tom Downs, attorney for the Michigan County Road Association, said a sampling of 203 signatures on the current petitions showed that 44 persons were not registered voters.

Downs, who said his sampling could not be taken as a scientific survey, said the check was made in Lansing, East Lansing and Detroit.

The gas tax hike was the major part of Milliken's transportation package approved by the State Legislature last year.

One-half cent of the new two-cent tax is being diverted to public transportation services, such as buslines.

If ruled to have sufficient names, the petitions also would be assured of a legal challenge.

The question would be whether the gas tax increase is part of an appropriations bill. If ruled so by the attorney general and by the courts, then the petitions would not be allowed.

The Michigan Constitution prohibits petition challenges against appropriations bills but allows them for other laws.

The four members of the state board, who voted unanimously for the sampling, are Wallace Riley of Detroit, Esther Waite of East Lansing, Nathan Conyers of Detroit and Nancy Chase of Ann Arbor.

## Treatment Plant

# Ready By June 15

COLOMA — Paw Paw Lake Planning commission members last night were re-assured that the \$2.6 million sewage treatment plant now under construction would be ready for partial use June 15.

Alan W. Rothe, project supervisor for the engineering firm of Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May, confirmed in writing to Commission Chairman Fred Munchow that it would appear the plant will be able to initiate partial treatment by mid-June. He said both Coloma and Watervliet city treatment will be hooked into the Paw Paw River interceptor connection to the plant at that time.

Some question over the June 15 partial use date has been raised by at least one electrician working on the project. He has said electrical work would not be completed in time.



THOMAS SCHLUTER  
Coming from Germany